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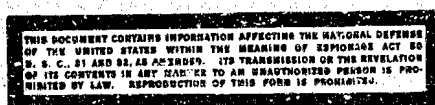
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FIRST POLISH PENICILLIN PLANT OPENS

YELLOW PENICILLIN PRODUCED AT NEW PLANT -- Zycie Warszawy, No 203,
 24 Jul 49

The first Polish penicillin plant has been opened at Tarchomin. Work on the plant was started in 1946. Doctors Korzybski and Kurylowicz, Engineer Bohatyrowicz, and others, completed a training course at the Research Plant at Toronto, Canada, and expected to receive necessary equipment from UNRRA. However, UNRRA hurriedly wound up its activities in Poland without supplying much of the equipment. It was necessary to produce in Poland much of the equipment needed, using Polish prototypes. A 50,000-meter-long network of pipes was installed.

Fermentation takes place successively in three tanks: the first has a capacity of several liters; the second, several hundred liters; and the third, several thousand liters. The compressor plays the most important part in the process.

Pharmacist Liedke, head of the laboratories, is the only Pole who ever worked at a foreign penicillin plant. Only yellow penicillin is produced. The plant employs 100 workers. Production, however, is to increase fivefold within the Six-Year Plan.

MORE INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL TO BE AVAILABLE -- Zycie Warszawy, No 202,
 25 Jul 49

During the Three-Year Plan, plants of the State Alcohol Monopoly were rebuilt and production increased to the extent of satisfying the demand of the domestic market. In addition, special brands of liquor were developed for export -- for example, pure whiskey, as well as flavored brandies, including cherry cordial, much in demand on foreign markets.

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The Six-Year Plan foresees a change in production planning. The sale of alcohol will increase approximately 300 percent, whereas the production of alcoholic beverages will be gradually lowered and the major part of the alcohol produced will be destined for industrial purposes.

This change is illustrated as follows: in 1949 production per capita will be 2 liters of 100 proof for consumption and 2.3 for industrial purposes; in 1955 it will be 1.81 liters for beverages and 3.97 for production of industry.

By-products, such as carbon extract, forage yeast, and dry ice, will be used entirely for industry. Production will be conducted in so-called combines, containing the distilling, rectifying, de-hydrating, and whiskey processing plants. Greater economy and coordination is expected from this system of production.

JULY FAT PRODUCTION LISTED -- Rzeczpospolita, No 220, 12 Aug 49

Total value of July production was 22,920,000 zlotys according to 1937 prices. This was 111 percent of the plan.

In July, 6,240 tons of oleaginous seeds were processed. This was 111 percent of the plan. Production of the more important items was as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>July Production (tons)</u>	<u>Percent of Plan</u>
Raw oil	3,350	120
Pure fats	2,150	119
Margarine	1,640	113
Solidified fats	420	145
Soap	4,000	119

A large quantity of stearin, bone glue, floor wax, and cosmetics was also manufactured.

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